

COUNCIL CHAMBERS -- CITY COUNCIL
CITY HALL -- CITY OF LODI

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 2, 1941

This regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Lodi was called to order by Mayor Steele at 6:00 o'clock P.M. on the date first in these minutes written, Councilmen Bull, Gaffigna, Riffs, Reihe and Steele present, none absent.

The minutes of the last meeting held March 19, 1941 were read, approved as read and so certified by the Mayor.

Mr. A. V. Potter, City Projects Engineer of the Division of Highways, appeared before the Council in regard to several matters relating to state highways and major streets in Lodi. In the matter of obtaining right of way for a proposed bypass from the Victor Road into Pine Street, Mr. Potter stated that the Division would offer no objections to the city undertaking the purchase of rights of way, improvement of the proposed street and installation of traffic controlled devices. He stated that there was no possibility of the state allowing the cost of this bypass to be deferred from the first quarter cent gasoline tax allocation but that it would have to be paid from the city's major streets fund. A project for additional right of way on U.S. 99, its drainage and the installation of traffic control devices could be financed from the first quarter cent funds. Mr. Potter presented in brief the proposed budget of state highways for Lodi for the Biennium 1942-1943 proposing the following projects: 1 - Mud jacking of low concrete panels on U.S. 99 at a cost of \$955.00. 2 - Levelling on the Woodbridge Road at a cost of \$1,500.00. 3 - Investigation of safety conditions on Cherokee Lane to cost \$250.00. 4 - Installation of signal devices at the intersection of Pine and Cherokee Lane at a cost of \$2,000.00. 5 - Acquisition of rights of way for the ultimate widening of U.S. 99 north of Lockeford Street, no cost estimates furnished.

Mr. L. E. Bull addressed the Council in regard to the construction of a suitable office for the softball association at the softball park. He was informed that this would be taken up under the head of new business.

Mr. Herbert Hummel of the Retail Merchants Bureau of the Lodi District Chamber of Commerce presented suggested amendments to Ordinance No. 221 and was informed that consideration of these amendments would be taken up under the proper order of business.

Mr. D. V. Smith representing the Lodi Investment Company asked that the city install a storm drain to hold cooling water from the Lodi Hotel property, estimating that the maximum flow from the air conditioner would be 80 GPM. Mr. Smith said that he thought that other users in the vicinity should share the cost. This matter was also laid over to be taken up under the proper head.

Messrs. A. J. Custer and Wallace Emery addressed the Council in regard to a loading zone on School Street south of Oak Street. No action taken.

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The monthly report of the Chief of Police and that of the City Treasurer were received, read and ordered filed. Likewise, the quarterly report of the Chief of the Fire Department and the Secretary of the Fire Department were read.

A communication was received announcing the spring conference of the California Sewage Works Association in Santa Cruz.

The Clerk presented legislative bulletins received from the League of California Cities regarding pending legislation in Sacramento.

It appearing that the County of San Joaquin held a lien for taxes against property in the Beckman Tract now owned by the City of Lodi, City Attorney Glenn West presented Resolution No. 1072 directing the signing of a petition to the Board of Supervisors for the cancellation of these taxes. On motion of Councilman Weihe, seconded by Councilman Graffigna, Resolution No. 1072 was passed and adopted by the assenting votes of all members of the Council.

City Engineer, Clinton Penning presented a formal application to the Work Projects Administration for construction of a garage at Lodi Armory and on motion of Councilman Graffigna, seconded by Councilman Riggs, Resolution No. 1073 was introduced and thereafter passed and adopted by the assenting votes of all members of the Council.

RESOLUTION NO. 1073

WHEREAS, public convenience and necessity and the requirements of the national defense program demand that the following work be performed in and for the City of Lodi, to-wit:

The Construction of An Addition to Lodi Armory
to Provide for Truck Storage and Parking Areas
Adjacent thereto.

WHEREAS, the cost of this work is in excess of funds available and was not provided for in the City's annual budget, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that this City file the within application to the Work Projects Administration bearing Sponsors Proposal No. 42, Local No. 0339-904, the said proposal to be signed, on behalf of this city as sponsor thereto, by C. P. STEPHLE, its Mayor and by J. F. BLAKELY, its City Clerk.

The Council proceeded to the proposed Ordinance No. 272 being an amendment to the existing ordinance No. 221. At the order of the Mayor, this matter was ordered referred to a special committee consisting of Councilman Hull, Councilman Riggs and Councilman Graffigna to confer with the officers of the Merchants Association and to report to the Council at its next meeting.

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Several applications for alcoholic beverage licenses were received from the State Board of Equalization and no objections were offered to any of them.

Business license applications No. 1825 to and including 1828 were approved and licenses ordered granted.

On the recommendation of the City Planning Commission and on motion of Councilman Riggs, seconded by Councilman Weihe, the building permit was ordered granted Dr. S. W. Lieske on Lot 10, Block 5, Sturts Addition, subject to the conditions expressed in Resolution No. 16 of the City Planning Commission. Motion carried.

The matter of the opening of Sunset Drive as proposed by Mr. Edward Hutchins was ordered referred to the committee on Streets for their investigation and report.

On motion of Mayor Steele, seconded by Councilman Riggs, the City Engineer was directed to install a storm drain to carry waters from Hotel Lodi to connect with the main line city drains at the best available point.

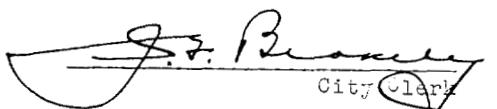
On motion of Councilman Weihe, seconded by Councilman Riggs, the City Engineer was instructed to build a small office for the use of the Softball Association on the grounds near the Armory.

Claims No. 38613 to and including No. 38826 were allowed with the exception of that of the Federal Electric Company Claim No. 36755 making a net amount of \$24,721.52 claims allowed.

Mr. J. A. Henning was instructed to draw up specifications for a new truck for the electric department and submit the same to the City Council.

The Council then adjourned on motion of Councilman Weihe.

ATTEST:


F. J. Beamer
City Clerk

The foregoing minutes of a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Lodi held Wednesday, April 2, 1941 were read at a subsequent meeting of said City Council held April 16, 1941 and approved without correction therein.


G. M. Steele
Mayor.